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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Jeffry A. LEBLANC

Application No.: 10/725,700

Art Unit: 2834

Filed: December 1, 2003

Examiner: L. Dang

For: A FLUID DYNAMIC BEARING MOTOR
CONFIGURED WITH AN INTEGRATED
COUNTERPLATE TO CONTAIN BEARING
FLUID

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated May 27, 2004, (Paper No. 20040521), for which a response is due on August 27, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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